FREDERICK COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Public Safety Training Center 401 Sagner Ave. Frederick, MD 21701

MINUTES of the September 26, 2017 Meeting

- I. The meeting was called to order by David Kaye.
- II. The following members were present: Annette Breiling, David Kaye, Lee Whisner, Adam Book, Francisco Alves, Michael Baran, Irene Packer Halsey, Marguerite Vacca-Kaye and Christine Isleib
- III. Other persons present were Rio Baran, Jay Mason and Willie Mahone
- IV. The August 2017 HRC meeting minutes were reviewed and approved by vote with 2 corrections (add sentence showing race and gender breakdown of FPD applicants who passed the background investigation and Mari Lee announcing the new committee structure) with a motion by Irene Packer-Halsey and 2nd by Marguerite Vacca-Kaye.
- V. Jay Mason was the quest speaker, he told his personal history and how Eliminating the Achievement Gap came to be.

Willie Mahone attended the meeting and spoke about the letter he sent to Mari Lee regarding the principal's ban on Native American headdress and should the HRC support it. David Kaye asked the CRC to draft a statement as requested and bring it to the Executive Committee for review.

Mr. Mahone also said he would recommend the NAACP Education Committee chair to talk to the HRC.

VI. Action Items

 A motion was made by Irene Packer Halsey and 2nd by Marguerite Vacca-Kaye to change meeting locations from Public Safety Place to Winchester Hall. The vote to make the change was unanimous.

VII. Officers Reports

- David Kaye reported that the Executive Committee met on September 12, 2017.
- Annette Breiling reported the balance in the HRC account is \$4600.56

- Community Relations Committee Marguerite Vacca-Kaye reported that the Committee met and is planning a forum in November. The subject will be race.
- Government Relations Committee Adam Book reported that they presented a proposal for the Legislative lunch to the Executive Board. The focus will be on Employment. It will be held on December 12 at Bernard Brown. Speakers that will be invited are: Michelle Day, Helen Propheter and Elizabeth Cromwell. CE Gardner will be asked to welcome everyone and present a proclamation. Mari Lee will serve as the MC.
- Internal Relations Committee David Kaye reported that there have not been any issues and the committee has not met.
- VIII. Directors Report Miles Ward gave a report on the Route 40 project.

IX. Old Business

AACF's Annual community Health Fair is October 28. The HRC will have a
table and individuals are encouraged to sign up to work at the table and also
volunteer on their own as a part of a day of service on behalf of the HRC.

X. New Business

Beloved Community Potluck – Annette Breiling reported the event will be held at 6pm on January 15. They are hoping to hold it at Trinity United Methodist. There were over 250 attending last year and a lot of people had to stand. The committee would like to have someone from the HRC on the planning committee.

A motion was made by Michael Baron and a 2nd by Marguerite Vacca-Kaye to support the Peace awards with \$100.00 to sponsor a student. The vote was unanimous.

- XI. Those attending who chose to do so made brief final comments.
- XII. The meeting was adjourned.